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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2823**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

TAKITA et al.

Art Unit: 2823

Application No. 09/046,671

Examiner: J. Maldonado

Filed: March 24, 1998

Attorney Dkt. No.: 108077-08003

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

**BOX AF**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

September 23, 2003

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 23, 2003, the period to respond being extended from July 23, 2003 to September 23, 2003 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: